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SOME INSIDE HISTORY.

The inside history of the lately ended Senatorial contest would make "mighty interesting reading" if it could be accurately had. One attempt to write it has already been made, evidently inspired by some Anti-Hill man of Eairfield County who desired to justify his own position.

In substance, it is that on the Chicago trip when the Taft sentiment was very strong, it was decided to defeat Senator Brandegee, recognized as Anti-Taft, for re-election if possible and to support Mr. Brooker for the sucand promptly declared himself publicly for Brandegee. Then, Mr. Brooker declined, it being understood that his official connection with the New Haven road would damage his candidacy. Next, the name of Ex-Gov. McLean was suggested, but he declined because Hartford County already had was proposed, the motive being to remove him from Senator Bulkeley's way in 1911, either by electing him now or by arousing such antagonisms times warrant. as would defeat him two years hence. And Editor Clark of the Harword Couthis entire procedure.

Parts of this alleged inside history are obviously true-for instance, the Brooker candidacy and its withdrawal, Sheriff Hawley's public pronouncement, McLean's declination, and finally the announcement of the Hill candidacy, all of which are familiar to Farmer readers. The alleged agency of Editor Clark and his alleged motive are the only new points. With them he can best deal, if he so chooses. We hesitate to believe that he is so devoted to the Bulkeley cause that he would deliberately plot to sacrifice thereto, the political future of such a man as Mr. Hill. .

In this locality, the principal interest is as to whether this alleged inside history absolves Sheriff Hawley and his followers from the characterization of "traitors," brought by the Norwalk Hour. What Editor Clark did or did not, or whatever his motive, is immaterial in this connection. It is said that Hawley held 16 votes for Prandegee; one-half of that number would have elected Hill. The Sheriff is therefore, to be accredited with Hill's defeat, involving not only the loss of the Senatorship to Fairfield County, but also a gross affront to the manufacturing and commercial interests of the State and, in fact, to a heavy preponderance of public senti-It is a high eminence which Sheriff Hawley has achieved, the dispensing of U. S. Senatorships, but scarcely an enviable or politically prof-

Assuming that the motive attributed to Editor Clark is well founded, it necessarily follows that he will drop Mr. Hill in 1911 and support either Bulkeley or McLean! Upon this point we possess no information whatever.

Nor do we know that Mr. Hill will be a candidate in 1911, though it is certain that there will be a popular demand for his election.

Now, if there could be an inside history from the other side, a comparison of the two might reveal the real facts.

President Roosevelt has taken steps toward prosecution of the N. Y. World in the Panama Canal case. It will depend upon whether or not the alleged libels come under the proscription of the New York law.

Speaker Banks' committee assignments meet with the usual favor and disfavor. Custom would have dictated the choice of Judge Malone, his competitor for Speaker, for chairman of the Judiciary committee, but Burns of Greenwich was apparently slated for that position in advance. In fact, who voted for Malone, are more or less discriminated against.

Will the General Assembly rearrange the Congressional districts, as should have been done long ago and thus cut out the necessity of electing one Congressman-at-large? Or will it be decided, as heretofore, that such redismaking at least one district out of the five Democratic? This is the turning point of the problem.

Gov. Lilley said:

People from other states are fast finding out the beauty and the advanour hill towns, there follows a constant stream of immigration of a very summer homes and spend their money

in our state. Not new, but very true. Good roads in this case. Scenic beauties which

compelling force. Most seekers of ummer homes use the automobile and sirable but even virtually necessary. Interior towns, located away from railroads and trolley lines, especially THE FARMER PUBLISHING CO. neeed good roads if they are to bid successfully for the favor of summerhome seekers. With good roads and autos distance does not count, and the interior towns are really preferrred.

In the Indiana Senatorial contest, Mr. Kern who was defeated by Mr. Shively, attributes his defeat to the secret ballot which, he says, made possible not only the betrayal of constituents by their representatives but also "all sorts of treachery, double-dealing and corrupt practices." He says: I have in mind several counties

where the sentiment for my nomination was practically unanimous, and that sentiment was well known to their representatives, and yet those representatives deliberately betrayed their people and voted for men who, in a primary, would not have received a handful of votes in these counties.

Very much the same thing occurred in this State. Would 16 representatives of Fairfield county have dared to vote openly for Brandegee?

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cession. Sheriff Hawley learned of it ing a number of the gentlemen present ple. But the patient endurance of the contains the simple inscription "1902." Mrs. Mabel Osgood Wright, Mrs. Wilone Senator. Finally Mr. Hill's name Henry C. Sturges, Mr. Roland, Rev. most famous pictures were thrown up-Allen Beeman, Mr. Huntington -- 3 Mr.

Evidently the public does not take of those noticed in the audience were the interest it might in the lectures be- Rev. Father O'Connor, Dr. and Mrs. ing given to the teachers in drawing Packard, Rev. Mr. Arthur Shirley, rant is credited with having inspired by Mrs. Hendricks of New Haven, and Arthur DeForest Wheeler and wife, in business penmanship. The public Clarence Swan and wife, Mrs. Leeds, was invited to attend the meeting held Mrs. Griffin, Mrs. Harry Hubbell, Mrs. yesterday at Miss Banks' room in the Mason, Stanley Y. Beach and wife Pickett building, where some 25 teach- David Coe and wife, Thomas P. Taylor ers met at 2:30 p. m., but none of the and Mrs. Randall, Mrs. William Nichdear public sent representatives. Prof. ols, Mr. Elliott W. Peck, Judge and Bowers of Southport, Mr. Wheatley Mrs. Howard Curtis, Mrs. John C. and other gentleman were the only Porter, Mrs. D. C. Wood, Dr. and Mrs. men present. Mrs. Hendricks in her William B. Cogswell, Mrs. J. W. talk on drawing was quite technical, Thompson, Mrs. Sylvanus Dickinson, telling the teachers how the pencil or Mrs. Fred Allen, Mrs. Burlock, Mrs. charcoal should be held for different Frederick Beardsley, Mrs. Margaret De effects, such as shading, and outline Lacour, and the Misses Celia and Cordrawing. A good deal was said about nelia Curtis, Maud Hill, the Misses making borders for calendars, etc., Braitling, Mary Fairchild, H. Louise and instructions were given for the Fairchild, Emma G. Allen, Alice Lovell, different grades. Something was said Vivian Falken, Constance Fairchild, about mixing colors to get certain Frances Russell, Harley J. Hurd, Letshades and tints. Perhaps the most tie Bennett, Alice Curtis, Ella Jackson, interesting part of the talk was de- Alice Judson, Mrs. Adelaide Gunther, voted to the making of the letters of Capt. and Mrs. A. Bedell Benjamin. the alphabet, and the Arabic figures. Mr. Moses Y. Beach, Mrs. Stiles Jud-This was a lesson for the purpose of son, Donald Sanmis, Radford Smith, teaching children how to print, but and many others. unless they propose to become sign Owing doubtless to the condition of painters, or the making of letters for the streets and the unfavorable weathmaps, or drawing designs, it is not er, there was not as large an attendlikely that knowing how, to "print" once at the second dance of the As-with a pencil and brush, will ever be sembly Club on Thursday night as has very practical knowledge. But it may sometimes been the case. At n'ne be all this helps to train the hand and o'clock there were less than a dozen the eyes, and is as good for a common persons in the hall, and one young school as any other lesson which could

> There was a rumor yesterday that an aftempt would be made to extract in town, in the shape of bridge whist, the ball from near the eye of the little taking dinners at the Stratfield, em-West boy who received a shot from an broidery clubs, rummage sales, instalair gun. The boy who did the shooting lations of officers, and all sorts of denies that he aimed at West, but says his gun went wrong.

hunting up old friends. Rev. Dr. Child thinks that his book on Fairfield, which is a comprehensive

be issued about the first of April. New propositions move slowly in an property in New Haven. old and conservative town, and while ness Men's Association, it is doubtful Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Houghton. if it will take form and substance. In given hour, for the sake of uniformity, tion." In the evening his topic will be houses, as drug stores, would feel lost if they closed up at six or even eight Every man can do business

On Wednesday next, in the afternoon, the King's Daughters will meet was held in the abandoned When resin Southport at the residence of Mrs. taurant, which fact is supposed to S. Pinkham. A question which will have had a rather depressing effect. Men's Arctics. 98c, \$1.50, \$2.50 come up for discussion is whether to Mr. Patrick Newell has been taken I alice Arctics \$1.25 \$1.75 \$2.00 repeat the Old Maid's Convention in to the Bridgeport hospital. He has

an association.

Yesterday afternoon the Women's guild of the Episcopal church, South- to life again. The members are George Youths' Arctics, port met in the chapel at 3 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Banks gave their friends a dance last evening. It is possible that Messrs. E.wood and Bulkley will give another dance been entertaining his sister from Long at Banks' hall, sometime in February, Island. soy on St. Valentine's day. There

Nobody knows as yet how many new cottages will be erected at the beach next spring. Much now depends upon whether the times improve.

### STRATFORD

it is said that all the representatives Lecture on Millet - Out of Struggle Strength - Life in Paris - Assembly it will do.

A large and representative audience crowded the library last evening to nard H. Judson. listen to a lecture by Prof. John F. Miss Margaret Weir, of Yale, upon Jean Francois Millet. In introducing the speaker Judge Howard Curtis said he placed the care a tour of the land installing officers in Apostles," contains about as much of the intellect and culture of the audi- the lodges of the Shepherds of Bethle- material as the epistle to the Galatians. tricting will be impossible without ence in the hand of the speaker. In hem. beginning his address Prof. Weir said that no artist of recent times has commanded greater respect for his works owing to the fact of their truth. He then sketched the rise of art in France In a recent address at New Haven, and said the great event of the 17th ficers of the Bethany Mission. century was the founding of the Academy in Paris in 1648. But its influ- Hudson this week. He will touch at ence came to be a hinderance since it taught that art should conform to certages of Connecticut as a place in tain academic rules. It taught a theory which to reside, and as fast as our instead of studying nature. As some good roads open up the highways to one had said-"Art was tongue tied by brief stay in town. authority." The Academy stifled progress by setting up forms. The next first whist of the season. All who atdesirable nature, who build luxurious step was the founding of the Ecloe des tended had a pleasant time. Beaux Arts in 1793, and later the organization of the Institute with its Sunday School lessons the history of medals, etc. The classical school pre- the Early Church as given in the Book constitute perhaps the greatest factor vailed until 1824, as represented by of Acts will be interested in the lec-David. Then came romanticism, or the ture to be given by Rev. Dr. Packard revolt, in 1848, with the cry of "Back on Sunday afternoon at 4 upon a very are practically inaccessible by reason to Nature!" There was a feeling for remarkable manual for candidates for of bad roads, do not count, but where the familiar and the commonplace. baptism in the earliest days of the word

reinforced by good roads, they exert | Millet found a new notion in art, a new idea. From early boyhood he was filled with the mystery and beauty of nature; the glory of the sea and the to them good roads are not merely de- sky gave him delight. Prof. Wels told how the vicar of his native village taught him Latin so that he was able to read Virgil, a work which he prized next to his Bible. He was so food of nature that he was told by an artist: You have a heart which will give you trouble; you do not know how much you will have to study." One day Millet when a boy, drew the picture of a peasant, which was so striking, that his father said to him: "I see you have the art idea; my poor Francois ; will gend you to learn to be a painter. So Francois went to Paris and it is said that he was pained when he thought of his mother and grandmother left behind, and how much they needed his help, and the work he could do with his strong muscles. He found Paris to be a great wilderness, just as many a Stratford boy finds New York. He was seized with a fit of sorrow in the great city; the town inspired him with a certain terror. He did not like the senseless chatter which he heard; the museum of the Luxumberg did not please him; the pictures seemed to be empty platitudes. But the pictures of the early art, the primitive pictures made an impression by reason of thein simplicity and strength. While he made progress in the studios of Paris, and lived in great poverty, he had ideas of art already formed. But he learned the construction of the human figure which is the alphabet of art, and how to choose the good and reject the bad. Through it all he kept his youthful impressions, and longed for the country. His life in Paris was one unremitting struggle. He went through days and nights of anguish, but as Prof. Weir said, out of suffering comes strength. Only those who have tasted the bitter cup of hard work, of neglect. of ingratitude, can know what it is; only those who know peasant life can paint it. For 13 years, said Prof. Weir, the pictures of Rosseau were rejected by the salon, and the same fate came to Millet. A hasty biographical sketch of Millet was given by the speaker, and the audience was told of his long

suffering and his toil without adequate The semi-annual meeting of the remuneration; also of the antagonism trustees of the Memorial Library held his pictures aroused, he being charged quite a lengthy meeting yesterday aft- with being a socialist, or even an ernoon, for the purpose of considering anarchist, striving to set the masses the financial condition of the library. against the classes. The picture of the Appropriations were made for the en- "Man With the Hoe" rousel a storm suing six months and a good deal of of indignation on the part of the chassroutine business was transacted. The es who could see no beauty in pegsant report of the librarian was read and life. All the humble phases of live in accepted, and the question of new that day were considered barbarots by books was discussed. After the meet- the refined and cultivated wealthy peotook a look at the corner stone, which farm and field laborer touched Millet deeply, and in it he saw true humanity It was suggested that the word "Fair- and great poetry. He is, said Prof. field" be put above the date, and the Weir, the strongest and sweetest poetic word "Library" be placed beneath, artist of the day. Millet never saw Probably this will be done in good the joyous side of life; he was a reastime. The trustees present were Rev. ant of the peasants, and when he died Frank S. Child, Dea. A. P. Wakeman, wished to be buried in his blouse and wooden sabots. During the course of liam B. Glover, Mr. Charles Jennings, the lecture photographs of many of his on a screen, many of which are fami-William A. Wheatley. Altogether the liar to all intelligent people. A porlibrary is well managed, is in good trait of Madame Millet, who died in condition, and as prosperous as the Paris, was shown, also of the artist himself and his friend Rosseau. A few

man went home thinking there was little chance for enjoyment. Besides, there has been a great deal going on Sunday school and church entertainments. The whirl is almost metropoli-

Warren Sherwood has been in town tan, and people must have a chance to catch their breaths. Yesterday the Judge of Probate appointed a conservator over Mrs. Mary guide, historically and otherwise, will Munson, a lady upwards of 90 years of

Among those at the Assembly dance there has been some talk about a Busi- were Mr. and Mrs. George Jewell, and To-morrow morning Rev. Mr. Egglesa country town the shop keepers do ton will take for his theme, "A Good not wish to be obliged to close at a Answer For An Irrepressible Ques-Some of those who have mercantile "Saving the World-Not Choosing the World to Be Saved."

The Odd Fellows had a meeting last on a cash basis if so minded without Tuesday last Mr. Theodore Tompkins gave a pretty little party at his home. The late rummage sale netted \$9. It

> been ill for some time. The Stratford Bowling club has come Webb, Allan and Keeler Wilson, William Rosenthal, Fred Bennetto, T. Lewis and Henry Wells.

William Wheeler of Broad street has

per at the First Baptist church on the Youths' Rubber Boots, evening of the 21st inst. All who attend these suppers have a good time. There was a thimble party yesterday afternoon at the house of Mrs. Wm. Henry Benjamin.

Owing to the sloppy condition of the sidewalks and the deep mud at the sides of Main street, "goloshes" are in great demand.

It is said that ice is being harvested. The crop is not as yet first class but No vehicle may now cross Washing-Dance—Manual of the Early Church. ton bridge at a greater speed than six Miss Patterson is visiting Mrs. Ber-

Miss Margaret Stratton is visiting in Charleston, S. C. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Rogerson are on

Mr. William Clements is recovering from a recent illness. Mr. Walter Blamey, Miss Sadie Blamey, Miss Mabel Johnson and Mr. Charles Johnson have been elected of-Mr. Walter Hanford is going up the

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The Misses Belle and Sadie Lowe have been visiting in town. State Agent Giles Potter has made a The Devon Social club has given its Those who are now studying in the POPULAR

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